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SUBJECT: FUGITIVES KILLED OR SURRENDERED: ARRESTS CONTINUE

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1. ETHIOPIAN MEDIA OF OCTOBER 9 AND 10 CONTINUE CARRYING REPORTS OF FUGITIVES WHO HAVE BEEN KILLED OR WHO HAVE SURRENDERED TO AUTHORITIES.

ACCORDING TO THESE REPORTS, 64 FUGITIVES WERE KILLED IN THE AJBAR DISTRICT OF BORONA AWRAJA, WOLLO PROVINCE, AND A LARGER NUMBER HAVE SURRENDERED TO AUTHORITIES. THE FUGITIVIES WHO SURRENDERED WERE GIVEN FULL AMNESTY AND TOLD TO RETURN TO THEIR FARMS AND JOIN PEASANT ASSOCIATIONS.

2. ACCORDING TO THE SAME REPORTS, FIVE PERSONS FROM META ROBI DISTRICT IN SHOA PROVINCE WERE ALSO AMNESTIED LAST WEEK AFTER SURRENDERING TO LOCAL OFFICIALS. PRESS HAS ALSO NOTED THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF THE BIRU BROTHERS' FOLLOWERS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED IN THE MENZ

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AREA OF SHOA.

3. PRESS ALSO STATES THAT, ARUSSI PROVINCE, A FORMER AWRAJA ADMINISTRATOR, FIT. BEKELE OGATO, AND SIXTEEN OF HIS ACCOMPLICES WERE TRACKED DOWN AND KILLED BY SECURITY FORCES IN THAT REGION. THEN OTHER FOLLOWERS OF FIT. BEKELE EARLIER GAVE THEMSELVES UP TO SECURITY FORCES THERE.

4. MEANWHILE IN ADDIS ABABA, THE WAVE OF ARRESTS CONTINUES AND DR. AKLILU LEMMA OF THE UNIVERSITY, WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO US, WAS ARRESTED ALONG WITH HIS SECRETARY AT GUNPOINT ON WEDNESDAY, FOR UNKNOWN REASONS. DR. AKLILU WAS RELEASED TODAY. HIS SECRETARY HAD BEEN RELEASED WEDNESDAY EVENING. TADESSE BEYENE WHOSE ARREST WAS REPORTED IN ADDIS 11896 HAS ALSO BEEN RELEASED. AS RESULT OF CONTINUING STATE OF EMERGENCY, ARRESTS AND THE SIZEABLE PRESENCE OF ARMED TROOPS ON THE STREETS, ADDIS POPULATION, INCLUDING LOCAL EMPLOYEES, BECOMING INCREASINGLY APPREHENSIVE. ANYONE FOUND WALKING THE STREETS OF ADDIS AFTER DARK IS LIKELY TO BE QUESTIONED BY PATROLLING SOLDIERS WITH THE RESULT THAT ADDIS STREETS PRACTICALLY DESERTED AFTER NIGHTFALL. THERE HAS BEEN NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT AS TO NUMBER OF PEOPLE ARRESTED OR THE REASONS FOR THEIR ARREST, BUT WE BELIEVE THE NUMBER TO BE HIGH. CITY NONETHELESS TO ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES GIVES OUTWARD IMPRESSION OF BEING CALM. MILITARY FOOT PATROLS IN EVIDENCE BUT NOT IN LARGE NUMBERS ALTHOUGH MOTORIZED PATROLS ARE FREQUENT. GUN JEEPS ARE SEEN INTERMITTENTLY DURING THE DAY, MORE FREQUENTLY AT NIGHT. PUBLIC BUILDINGS ARE HEAVILY GUARDED. STORES AND SHOPS ARE OPEN. OVERALL IMPRESSION IS OF POPULACE TRYING HARD TO CARRY ON AS USUAL WHILE KEEPING HEADS DOWN IN HOPES THAT STORM WILL SOON BLOW OVER.  
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